Prescribed burns being planned in Eldorado

The U.S. Forest Service will begin its fall prescribed burn program in the Eldorado National Forest as soon as weather conditions are favorable. Approximately 5,100 acres of National Forest land are slated to be burned this fall, winter and spring.

Prescribed fires are used to maintain forest health and to reduce fuels that could feed future wildfires.

Prescribed fires are ignited only when weather and fuel conditions exist that will ensure low to moderate burning rates and firefighting resources are available to keep fires within fire lines.